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S/N 09/370,417

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	BERG ET AL.	Examiner:	H. KIM
Serial No.:	09/370,417	Group Art Unit:	3629
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 28-31 of the above-identified application, as set forth in the Office Action mailed October 23, 2000.

Our check in the amount of \$155.00 is enclosed to cover the required fee for filing this Notice of Appeal as set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b).

Also enclosed is a Petition for three (3)-month extension of time to respond to the final rejection, thereby extending said period of response from January 23, 2001 to April 23, 2001.

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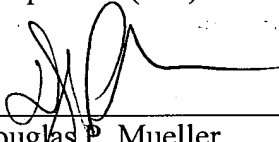
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